

## SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Beech Springs Intermediate

Spartanburg 5

Grades: 4-6 Enrollment: 861

Principal: Ginger Thompson Superintendent: Dr. Scott Turner Board Chair: Mr. Butch Coan

#### **PERFORMANCE**

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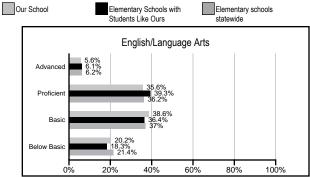
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	<b>GROWTH RATING</b>	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Good	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Average	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2006	Average	Average	N/A	Not Met	N/A

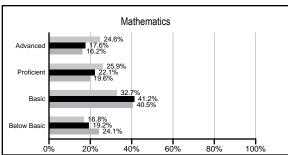
### ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

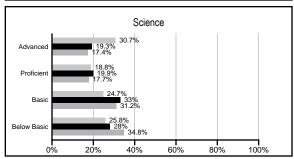
<b>EXCELLENT</b>	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	13	61	8	1

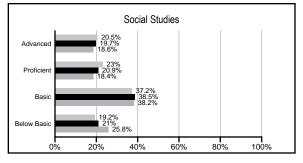
<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

#### **PACT PERFORMANCE**



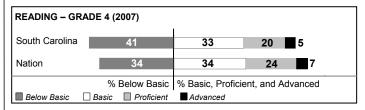


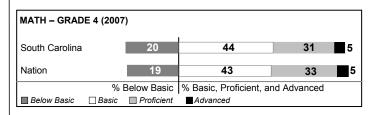


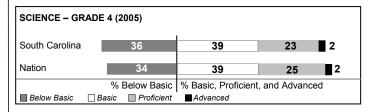


#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







#### SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

# Beech Springs Intermediate [Spartanburg 5] SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=861)				
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	2.2%	2.3%
Attendance rate	96.9%	Down from 97.0%	96.3%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	12.3%	Down from 14.0%	12.1%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	11.2%	Down from 12.5%	8.2%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=55)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.9%	Down from 59.6%	56.0%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	76.4%	Up from 73.1%	78.3%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.2%	Up from 82.7%	87.4%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.2%	Up from 92.7%	95.3%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$44,108	Up 2.5%	\$45,032	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.3%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.1 to 1	Up from 11.9 to 1	18.7 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.2%	Up from 87.6%	90.1%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$5,852	Down 4.2%	\$6,580	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	72.6%	Down from 73.0%	68.8%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	69.3%	Down from 70.0%	65.0%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	93.1%		88.2%	85.7%
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<sup>\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	41	283	216
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.6%	88.3%	88.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.6%	87.5%	86.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.1%	89.6%	79.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Greetings from Beech Springs Intermediate School! Our motto, "Building the Future One Child at a Time," truly exemplifies our approach to teaching and learning. We pride ourselves on identifying each child's individual strengths and weaknesses in an effort to provide exemplary academic experiences. In addition, we provide numerous opportunities for our students to learn more about making good choices in order to become productive citizens. Our students have participated in Pennies for Patients, Relay for Life, Jump Rope for Heart, collected canned goods for the needy, and donated supplies to the Animal Shelter.

Our children are incredible! As a result of their hard work and commitment to doing their best, Beech Springs received the Palmetto Silver Award for improved academic achievement for the second consecutive year. Our students and teachers have set goals and worked diligently to reach them.

With the help of our teachers, parents, and community members, our PTO has continued to provide outstanding support for our school. Our PTO purchased 15 projectors, 15 Interwrite Pads, assisted with student recognition in numerous ways, welcomed parents, grandparents, and pastors into our building for breakfast, hosted our annual Spring Carnival, and continued to offer opportunities for parents to be a part of our school.

Beech Springs is a special place to learn and grow. We are so thankful for the wonderful students that we have the privilege to work with every day. Thank you for sharing your precious children with us.

Kim Ashb, Principal Sandy Freeman, SIC Chairperson

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